

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. - 59. (Canceled)

60. (Previously Presented) A method for delivering a drug to a blood vessel lesion, said method comprising:

inflating a balloon to radially expand a scoring structure comprising metal scoring elements carried by said balloon, wherein the balloon inflation engages the scoring elements against stenotic material in the lesion to radially penetrate the stenotic material; and

releasing a drug into the scored lesion to enhance delivery into the vessel wall.

61. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 60, wherein the drug is carried by the balloon as a platform.

62. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 60, wherein releasing comprises embedding the drug through the stenotic material into the vessel wall.

63. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 62, wherein the drug is present in capsules.

64. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 62, wherein the drug is present in a drug-containing polymer.

65.-68. (Canceled)

69. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 60, wherein the metal scoring elements are included in a scoring cage slidably carried to the expansible balloon.

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70. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 60, wherein the scoring elements in the scoring cage are arranged helically over the expandable balloon.